GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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AVIATION A CORE TRANSPORT SECTOR
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to make aviation a core transport sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other measures taken by the Government to make aviation a thrust area for growth?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) and (c):- Keeping in view the importance of the aviation sector, the following major initiatives have been taken -

(i) Disinvestment of Air India, Indian Airlines and Hotel Corporation of India;

(ii) Development of existing four major international airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Calcutta to international standards through Long-term leasing to private investors;

(iii) Construction of new international airports at Hyderabad, Bangalore and Goa with private sector participation;

(iv) Declaration of seven more airports at Bangalore, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Goa, Amritsar, Guwahati and Cochin as International airports;

(v) Implementation of satellite based CNS-ATM system for safe and regular operation of civilian aircraft; and

(vi) Development of more air cargo complexes to provide facilities and impetus for development of economy in regional and sub-regional areas.